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In re Application of:

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 6, 2006 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Nonfinal Office Action of October 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. Enclosed is a petition for a three-month extension of time.

Listing of Presently-Pending Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.